

statutory limit on the public debt, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-and-nay vote of 97 yeas to 318 nays with 7 voting “present”, Roll No. 379. **Pages H3765–75, H3783–84**

Suspension—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measure under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed:

Directing the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a VetStar Award Program: H.R. 802, amended, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a VetStar Award Program. **Page H3777**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H3806–07.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three ye-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3782, H3782–83, and H3783–84. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 9:59 p.m.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Appropriations: Full Committee held a markup of Agriculture Appropriations FY 2012. The bill was ordered reported, as amended.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power held a hearing on H.R. 909, A Roadmap for America’s Energy Future. Testimony was heard from Rep. Franks of Arizona; Rep. Langevin; Patricia A. Hoffman, Assistant Secretary, Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, Department of Energy; Paul N. Stockton, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Homeland Defense and America’s Security Affairs, Department of Defense; Joseph H. McClelland, Director, Office of Electric Reliability, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission; Franklin D. Kramer, Fmr. Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES ON AUTISM

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, and Human Rights held a hearing entitled “Global Perspectives on Autism—A Growing Public Health Crisis.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FORMAL RULEMAKING AND JUDICIAL REVIEW

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts, Commercial and Administrative Law held a hearing on Formal Rulemaking and Judicial Review: Pro-

tecting Jobs and the Economy with Greater Regulatory Transparency and Accountability. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2012

Committee on Rules: The Committee granted by record vote of 9 to 3, an open rule for consideration of the bill H.R. 2017, the Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2012. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled between the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule waives points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI except for section 536. Under the Rules of the House the bill shall be read for amendment by paragraph. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The rule provides that H. Con. Res. 34, including the related 302(a) allocations printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution, shall have force and effect until a conference report on the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2012 is adopted. Testimony was heard from Rep. Aderholt and Rep. Price of North Carolina.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1, 2011

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Defense, markup of the Defense Appropriations bill FY 2012, 10 a.m., H-140 Capitol. This is a closed meeting.

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on efficacy of the Department of Defense’s thirty year aviation and shipbuilding plans, 11 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education, hearing entitled “Education Reforms: Exploring the Vital Role of Charter Schools.” Noon, 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Full Committee, markup H.R. 1705, the Transparency in Regulatory Analysis of Impacts on the Nation Act of 2011; and H.R. 2021, the Jobs and Energy Permitting Act of 2011. 4 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Communications and Technology, hearing “Promoting Broadband, Jobs and Economic Growth Through Commercial Spectrum Auctions.” Noon, 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Environment and the Economy, hearing entitled “The Department of Energy’s Role in Managing Civilian Radioactive Waste.” 1 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Domestic Monetary Policy and Technology, hearing entitled “Federal Reserve Lending Disclosure: FOIA, Dodd-Frank, and the Data Dump.” 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia, hearing entitled “Preserving Progress: Transitioning Authority and Implementing the Strategic Framework in Iraq, Part 1.” 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence, hearing on The DHS Intelligence Enterprise—Past, Present, and Future, 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on the Constitution, hearing on the Department of Justice Civil Rights Division, 11:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Intellectual Property, Competition and the Internet, hearing entitled “Promoting Investment and Protecting Commerce Online: The ART Act, the NET Act and Illegal Streaming.” 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Full Committee, hearing entitled “American Energy Initiative: Identifying Roadblocks to Wind and Solar Energy on Public Lands and Waters, Part II—The Wind and Solar Industry Perspective.” 11:30 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, U.S. Postal Service and Labor Policy, hearing entitled “Official Time: Good Value for the Taxpayer?” 1:30 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs, Stimulus Oversight and Government Spending, hearing entitled “Duplication, Overlap, and Inefficiencies in Federal Welfare Programs.” 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, Full Committee, hearing on legislation for Military Construction and Veterans Affairs and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2012, 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing on Harmful Algal Blooms: Action Plans for Scientific Solutions, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Access to Capital: Can Small Businesses Access the Credit Necessary To Grow and Create Jobs?” 1 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, Full Committee, hearing on Putting America’s Veterans Back to Work, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.